

Annual Report
AS TO THE
SANITARY CONDITION
OF THE
Depwade Rural District

FOR THE YEAR

 **1905** 

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The Annual Report

For the Year 1905 of

THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

TO THE DEPWADE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

HARLESTON,

January, 1906.

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to lay before you, my fourth Annual Report as to the Public Health of your district, for the year 1905.

The sanitary work of the past year has been by no means light, and I here take the opportunity to express my appreciation of the careful work, and untiring energy of your Sanitary Inspectors :—

Eastern Division :—Mr. C. W. Whitewood, Pulham Mary

Western Division :—Mr. W. A. Read, Long Stratton

During 1905 some 1,100 premises have been inspected, 189 nuisances have been reported to you officially; these duties, together with routine work, additional duties under the Factory and Workshop Act, and the time employed in dealing with outbreaks of infectious disease, have kept your officers constantly at work.

The present area of the district is 77,631 acres; I give below a list of the parishes divided up into their Registration Sub-districts, that you may the better be enabled to compare the parochial death-returns with those of other years.

HARLESTON SUB-DISTRICT.

Parish	Population at last Census.	Number of Deaths in 1905.	Death Rate per 1,000 population.
Alburgh ..	523	4	7.6
Billingford ..	154	0	0
Brockdish ...	389	7	17.9
Denton ..	406	6	13.6
Dickleburgh with Langmere }	732	15	20.4
Earsham ...	560	8	14.3
Needham ..	313	7	22.3
Pulham Market	856	15	17.5
Pulham Mary	784	7	8.9
Redenhall with Harleston }	2,001	28	14
Rushall ...	199	2	10
Tivetshall St. Margaret }	342	4	11.6
Tivetshall St. Mary }	263	5	19
Starston ...	493	2	4.5
Thorpe Abbots	208	2	9.5
Wortwell ...	393	6	15.2
The Union Workhouse }	158	33	208.0

DISS SUB-DISTRICT.

Parish.	Population at last Census.	Number of Deaths in 1905.	Death Rate per 1,000 population.
Bressingham	553	8	14.8
Burston ...	365	4	10.9
Fersfield ...	255	1	3.9
Gissing ..	341	3	8.7
Roydon ..	789	8	10.2
Scole, Thorpe Parva and Frenze }	591	8	13.8
Shelfanger ...	368	3	8.1
Shimpling ..	133	1	7.5
Thelveton ...	154	1	6.4
Winfarthing	543	4	7.3

STRATTON SUB-DISTRICT.

Parish.	Population at last Census.	Number of Deaths in 1905.	Death Rate per 1,000 population.
Ashwellthorpe	342	1	2.9
Aslacton ..	287	2	6.9
Bunwell ..	779	9	11.5
Carleton Rode	640	10	15.6
Fornecett St. Mary	223	1	4.4
Fornecett St. Peter	543	5	9.2
Fritton ..	157	2	12.7
Fundenhall	265	2	7.4
Hapton ...	156	0	0
Hardwick ...	188	2	10.6
Hempnall ..	754	6	7.9
Morningthorpe	135	3	22.2
Moulton ...	235	1	4.2
Shelton ...	198	2	10.1
Stratton St. Mary	669	4	5.9
Stratton St. Michael	241	1	4.1
Tasburgh ...	368	3	8.2
Tacolnestone	325	3	9.2
Tharston ...	270	2	7.4
Tibenham ...	545	4	7.3
Wacton ...	203	2	9.8

The total population of the District taken at the last census (1901) was 20,489.

House
Accommodation

The housing of the labouring class is on the whole satisfactory ; although several inhabited cottages are it must be confessed in a very dilapidated state. Eight new buildings have been erected during the year (two of which are not quite finished).

Two cases of overcrowding have been reported to you, in each instance the nuisance has been abated.

Disposal of
Sewerage.

The various modes of sewerage disposal in the district need not again be described, it is however, much to be regretted that so many nuisances are caused by tanks and cesspools being permitted to overflow into ditches and watercourses, whereas a systematic use of dead-well and sewerage-pump would not only do away with the nuisance, but would enable liquid manure so obtained to be utilized as such upon the land.

Harleston
Drains.

In Harleston several alterations, improvements, and repairs to the main drainage system have been executed.

Pulham.

The new septic tank and filter at "Harrolds," Pulham Mary has been completed.

Long Stratton.

The question of relaying the main sewer in Long Stratton (referred to in my annual report of last year) has been discussed, and after several meetings, and inspections of the present system, the subject has been postponed for some future consideration ; the existing brick drain has been repaired and cleaned out, and attempts are made from time to time to remedy the more apparent nuisances existant in that parish.

Tavern
Sanitation.

A new system of drainage has been found necessary in the case of "The Woodman" Tavern, Hempnall, and "The Bird in the Hand," Tasburgh.

Scole Drainage.

After several meetings of Committee and considerable correspondence, permission was obtained to continue the main sewer in Scole across private

property, the work comprised about 50 yards of 9-in. stoneware pipe, with inspection chamber.

In Pulham Market several new gulleys to drains have been introduced ; an open sewer has been piped-in with glazed pipes. Pulham Market
Drainage.

No public water-service exists in the district. Water Supply.

Nineteen samples of water have been subjected to analysis.

Eight new wells have been sunk to serve old premises. New Wells.

Many old wells have been cleaned.

Two certificates have been granted under the Public Health (Water) Act. Certificates
P.H. (Water)
Act 1878.

Inspection of bakehouses has been carried out, the result is satisfactory, no underground bake-offices are to be found in the district. Bakehouses.

An inspection of factories and workshops has been carried out, and a satisfactory report can be given ; in the case of Brockdish laundry, however, several alterations were deemed necessary in order to fulfil sanitary requirements. Factories and
Workshops.

In the inspection of dairies, certain nuisances were discovered and reported existing in Forncett, Hempnall, Stratton, and Tharston. Dairies and
Cowsheds.

Slaughter-houses are systematically inspected, certain insanitary conditions were found in Brockdish, Dickleburgh, Hempnall, and Pulham North Green. A knacker's yard in Roydon was twice reported as in a very undesirable state. Slaughter
Houses, Etc.

In inspecting schools, several nuisances were reported in connection with Hempnall ; Starston schools have been enlarged to meet the increasing demand for room, and much improved by being well lighted and ventilated. Schools.

In time of epidemic of infectious disease, a thorough cleaning and disinfecting has been carried out before the school is re-opened.

Nuisances.

Of the 189 nuisances reported to you, a large majority consist of dilapidated privies, ditch pollution, improper water supply, and untrapped drains; a number of nuisances, such as manure heaps and pig-styes, have been abated without being reported to Council.

Burston and Tivetshall Railway Stations were found to be in insanitary condition, steps were promptly taken to remedy the nuisances.

Defective sanitary conditions were found in the case of Harleston and Tibenham post offices.

Methods of
dealing with
Infectious
disease.

There being no isolation hospital in your district, your Sanitary Inspectors are furnished with disinfectants and instructions as to their use, these they supply to the infected household, at the same time isolating the patient as much as possible, and carrying out the necessary precautions to prevent the spread of disease; infected houses are disinfected by the Sanitary Inspectors directly the inmates are declared free from disease by their medical attendant, or myself.

Birth Returns.

The birth returns of your district:—

Year.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1902	234	218	452
1903	217	208	425
1904	220	220	440
1905	210	221	431

Infant
Mortality.

Infant mortality (i.e., deaths under one year of age) for 1905 is somewhat higher than last year, the

causes of death and particulars will be found in table V. at the end of the report. I here give totals :—

Males.	Females.	Total.
21	27	48

During the year, 257 deaths have been registered in your district. Mortality.

The average age at death (excluding infantile death) :— Average Age at Death.

Year.	Males.	Females.	Total Average.
1902	64.68	63.77	64.23
1903	63.01	57.86	61.66
1904	51.38	58	54.69
1905	48.75	62	56

Although the average age of death is as shown above, it may be interesting to note that out of 257 deaths— 105 Deaths over 70 years of age

9 deaths occurred at the age of 90 and upwards

42 „ „ between 80 and 90

54 „ „ „ 70 „ 80

and in referring to Table IV. at the end of this Report it will be seen that 56 deaths were due to senile decay. Deaths from Special Causes.

Whooping cough has a high mortality, 11 deaths being registered. Pertussis.

Seven deaths from Influenza is a higher mortality than usual. Influenza.

The somewhat high mortality in the case of Heart Disease may partly be explained when it is pointed out that of the 29 deaths, 19 took place in subjects over 65 years of age, and probably are really returnable as due to senility. Heart Disease.

Phthisis mortality keeps down to the average, 14 deaths being registered. Phthisis.

Cancer.

Of Cancer, 22 deaths are recorded, I give the mortality of the last four years:—

Year.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1902	8	16	24
1903	14	16	30
1904	10	10	20
1905	11	11	22

Of the 22 cases:—

Cancer of Bowel	...	...	6
Cancer of Stomach	...	...	6
Cancer of Uterus	...	...	3
Cancer of Ovary	...	...	2
Cancer of Breast	..	...	1
Cancer of Liver	...	...	1
Cancer of Bladder	...	...	1
Cancer of Œsophagus		...	1
Cancer of Duodenum	...	...	1

Puerpural.

No deaths from Puerpural Fever, 2 deaths have occurred during the puerperium.

Suicides.

One Suicide is returned (by hanging).

Accidents.

Two Accidents ending fatally:—

(1) Drowned in ditch whilst in a fit

(2) Engine wheel passing over body.

Notifiable Diseases.

In comparing the infectious disease returns, it will be seen that the Scarlet Fever epidemic is the cause of the somewhat high total of 83 for this year.

	In 1902.	In 1903.	In 1904.	In 1905.
Diphtheria	3	19	12	12
Enteric Fever	2	3	5	4
Erysipelas	4	15	19	15
Scarlet Fever	38	131	17	52
	47	168	53	83

The outbreaks of Diphtheria have been scattered, Diphtheria.
I give distribution :—

Scole ...	...	I case
Dickleburgh	...	2 cases in 1 household
Tibenham	...	I case
Harleston	...	I „
Hardwick	...	I „
Earsham	...	I „
Tacolnestone	...	I „
Tivetshall	...	3 cases.

No fatal termination occurred in any of the above, a small proportion were “suspects” only.

In the Hardwick case it has been noted that Diphtheria occurred last year in the same household.

Recent cases of Diphtheria have been notified in Scolt (in previous year), but no evidence can be found to connect last year's outbreak with a previous one.

The Earsham case was traceable to Southwold.

Four cases of Enteric Fever have been notified during the year, distributed as follows :— Enteric Fever

Bunwell	...	...	...	I
Burston	...	...	...	I
Denton	“	...	...	I
Thelveton	...	...	...	I

No fatal cases occurred, the Thelveton patient was removed to Diss Hospital.

Of the 15 cases of Erysipelas one ended fatally. Erysipelas.

The distribution of Scarlet Fever was as follows :—

The Union Workhouse ...	...	19
Pulham Market ...	...	19
Brockdish ...	...	5
Burston ...	...	2
Roydon ...	...	2
Tacolnestone ...	...	2
Pulham Mary ...	...	1
Long Stratton ...	...	1
Shimpling ...	...	1

As to the outbreak in Pulham Market and the Union Workhouse, it is distinctly traceable to a young woman who unaware of the malady from which she had suffered, visited Pulham Market and calling on her several acquaintances, went from house to house shewing her hands in a desquamating condition, wondering the while what had made the skin come off.

The Burston, Roydon and Shimpling outbreaks are probably of Diss origin.

The Stratton case I failed to trace to its source.

The Tacolnestone case was introduced into the parish by a man who had been residing at Cley, and who being desirous of spending his holiday in Tacolnestone, arrived in a desquamating state, having suffered for the last month from scarlet fever, the case is at present being enquired into.

The outbreaks of fever at the workhouse made it necessary to have the whole building carefully disinfected and cleaned, more especially as the household of the Master did not escape the infection ; it was also deemed advisable for the meeting of the Board of Guardians to take place in some other building.

No action has been taken under the Sale of Food ^{Food and Drugs} and Drugs Act. _{Act.}

The following schools have been closed during the year 1905 :--

School.	Date of Closure.	Date of Opening.	Reason of Closure.
Hardwick & Shelton	{ November 25th, 1904	January 9th, 1905	{ Influenza and Whooping Cough
Starston	January 6th, 1905	January 16th	Whooping Cough
Redenhall Infants	{ January 31st	March 27th	{ Whooping Cough
Redenhall Boys & Girls	{ February 3rd	March 27th	{ Whooping Cough
Dickleburgh	March 11th	April 9th	Measles
Pulham Mary	March 13th	April 4th	Whooping Cough

The schools of Thorpe Abbotts and Pulham Mary were closed for a few days in January, 1905, owing to Influenza amongst the children.

I have the honour to remain,

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN C. REYNOLDS ROBINSON,

*Medical Officer of Health
for the Depwade Rural District.*

TABLE I.

Vital Statistics of whole District during 1905 and previous years.

DEPWADE RURAL DISTRICT.

YEAR.	Population estimated to Middle of each year.	BIRTHS.		TOTAL DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE DISTRICT.				TOTAL DEATHS IN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS IN THE DISTRICT.	Deaths of Non-residents registered in Public Institutions in the District.	Deaths of Residents registered in Public Institutions beyond the District.	NETT DEATHS AT ALL AGES BELONGING TO THE DISTRICT.			
		Number.	Rate.*	Under One Year of age.		At all ages.					Number.	Rate.*	Number.	Rate.*
				Number.	Rate per 1000 Births registered..	Number.	Rate.*							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
1894														
1895														
1896														
1897														
1898														
1899														
1900														
1901	20489	450	21.9			295	14.3							
1902	20545	452	21.9					15	2					
1903	19320	425	21.9	50	117.6	282	14.6	31	4		278	14.3		
1904	20091	440	21.9	27	99.2	272	13.5	25			272	13.5		
Averages for years 1894-1904														
1905	19680	431	21.9	48	111.1	257	13	33			257	13		

*Rates in Columns 4, 8 and 13 calculated per 1,000 of estimated population.

NOTE.—The deaths to be included in Column 7 of this table are the whole of those registered during the year as having actually occurred within the district or division. The deaths to be included in Column 12 are the number in Column 7, corrected by the subtraction of the number in Column 10 and the addition of the number in Column 11.

By the term "Non-residents" is meant persons brought into the district on account of sickness or infirmity, and dying in public institutions there; and by the term "Residents" is meant persons who have been taken out of the district on account of sickness or infirmity, and have died in public institutions elsewhere.

The "Public Institutions" to be taken into account for the purposes of these Tables are those into which persons are habitually received on account of sickness or infirmity, such as hospitals, workhouses and lunatic asylums. A list of the Institutions in respect of the deaths in which corrections have been made should be given on the back of this Table.

At Census of 1901 { Total population at all ages, 20,489.
Number of inhabited houses,
Average number of persons per house.

Area of district in acres (exclusive of area covered by water), 77,631.

TABLE III.
CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR 1905.
DEPWADE RURAL DISTRICT.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE.	Cases notified in whole District						Total Cases notified in each locality.							No. of Cases removed to Hospital from each locality						
	At Ages†—Years.						1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Under 1.	1 to 5.	5 to 15.	15 to 25.	25 to 65.	65 and upwards.														
	At all Ages.						Harleston Sub-district.	Stratton Sub-district.	Diss Sub-district.				Workhouse							
Small-pox ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..							
Cholera ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..							
Diphtheria ..	..	3	3	5	1	..	7	4	1	..	..	..	..							
Membranous croup ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..							
Erysipelas ..	1	2	1	..	8	3	6	6	2	..	..	..	..							
Scarlet fever ..	..	13	29	5	5	..	25	3	5	..	..	..	19							
Typhus fever ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..							
Enteric fever ..	..	..	..	2	2	..	1	1	2	..	..	..	..							
Relapsing fever ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..							
Continued fever ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..							
Puerperal fever ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..							
Plague ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..							
*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..							
Totals ..	83	18	33	12	16	3	39	14	10	..	..	..	20							

NOTES.—The localities adopted for this table should be the same as those in Tables II and IV

State in space below the name of the isolation hospital, if any, to which residents in the district, suffering from infectious disease, are usually sent. Mark (H) the locality in which it is situated, or if not within the district, state where it is situated, and in what district.

The name of the authority by whom the hospital is provided should also be given. Mark (W) the locality in which a workhouse is situated

*This space may be used for record of other disease, the notification (compulsory or voluntary) of which is in force in the district.

†These age columns for notifications should be filled up in all cases where the Medical Officer of Health, by enquiry or otherwise, has obtained the necessary information.

Isolation Hospital

TABLE IV
CAUSES OF, AND AGES AT
DEPWADE RURAL

CAUSES OF DEATH.	DEATHS AT THE SUBJOINED AGES OF "RESIDENTS" WHETHER OCCURRING IN OR BEYOND THE DISTRICT.						
	All ages.	Under 1 year.	1 and under 5.	5 and under 15.	15 and under 25.	25 and under 65.	65 and upwards.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Small-pox	...	...	...	..	...	...	..
Measles	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough ..	11	7	4	..	...	...	..
Diphtheria and membranous croup ..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Croup	1	..	1	..	...	...	...
Fever { Typhus ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
Enteric ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other continued	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Epidemic influenza ..	7	...	...	...	1	5	1
Cholera	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Plague	...	...	...	..	...	..	...
Diarrhœa (<i>See notes at back</i>)	2	1	1	...	..	..	...
Enteritis (<i>See notes at back</i>)	1	1	...	...	...	...	..
Puerperal Fever (<i>See notes at back</i>) ..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Erysipelas	1	...	...	...	..	1	...
Other septic diseases ..	2	1	...	...	..	1	...
Phthisis (Pulmonary Tuberculosis) ..	14	...	...	...	4	8	2
Other tubercular diseases	3	...	2	1	...	...	...
Cancer, malignant disease (<i>See notes at back</i>)	22	...	...	...	...	13	9
Bronchitis	11	3	1	...	...	3	4
Pneumonia	12	5	2	...	...	3	2
Pleurisy	...	..	...	...	..	..	...
Other diseases of respiratory organs ..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Alcoholism	4	...	...	...	...	3	1
Cirrhosis of liver }	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Venereal diseases ..	1	1	...	...	..	...	..
Premature birth ..	6	6	...	...	...	..	..
Disease and accidents of parturition ..	2	...	...	...	1	1	..
Heart diseases ..	29	1	...	1	1	7	19
Accidents	2	...	...	...	...	2	..
Suicides	1	...	...	...	..	1	...
Cerebral hæmorrhage ..	25	...	...	...	...	4	21
Senility	56	...	...	...	...	..	56
Nephritis	8	...	1	...	...	4	3
Convulsions	6	6	...	...	...	...	..
Marasmus	3	3	...	...	..	...	...
Diabetes	2	..	...	..	1	1	...
All other causes ..	25	13	...	2	..	9	1
All causes	257	48	12	4	8	66	119

DEATH DURING YEAR 1905.

DISTRICT.

DEATHS AT ALL AGES OF "RESIDENTS" BELONGING TO LOCALITIES, WHETHER OCCURRING IN OR BEYOND THE DISTRICT.							TOTAL DEATHS WHETHER OF RESIDENTS OR "NON-RESIDENTS" IN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS IN THE DISTRICT.
Harleston Sub-district.	Stratton Sub-district.	Diss Sub-district.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2	1	2	...	...	...	...	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8	5	...	...	...	...	...	1
3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12	6	2	...	...	...	...	2
4	2	3	...	...	...	...	2
5	5	1	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
9	7	4	...	...	...	...	9
2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
8	7	4	...	...	...	...	6
28	12	10	...	...	...	...	6
4	2	1	...	...	...	...	1
4	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
12	7	4	...	...	...	...	2
118	65	41	...	...	...	...	33

TABLE V
DEPWADE RURAL
INFANTILE MORTALITY
Deaths from stated Causes in Week

CAUSE OF DEATH.				Under 1 Week	1-2 Weeks	2-3 Weeks	3-4 Weeks	Total under 1 Month
All Causes.	Certified	..	..	10	2	...	3	15
	Uncertified	.	..	1	...	...	...	1
Common Infectious Diseases.	Small-pox	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Chicken-pox	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
	Measels	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Diphtheria : Croup	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diarrhœal Diseases.	Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Diarrhœa, all forms	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Enteritis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	(not Tuberculous)	}	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wasting Diseases.	Gastritis, Gastro-intestinal Catarrh	}	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Premature Birth	...	4	...	...	...	...	4
	Congenital Defects	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
	Injury at Birth	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Want of Breast-milk	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculous Diseases.	Atrophy, Debility, Marasmus	}	5	1	...	2	8	8
	Tuberculous Meningitis		...	...	...	...	...	...
	Tuberculous Peritonitis :	}	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Tubes Mesenterica	}	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Other Tuberculous Diseases	}	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Erysipelas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Syphilis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Rickets	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Meningitis		...	...	...	...	...	...
	(not Tuberculous)	}	...	...	...	...	...	...
Convulsions	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	
Bronchitis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Laryngitis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Suffocation, overlaying	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Other Causes	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
				10	2	...	3	15

Rural District of Depwade.

Population estimated to middle of 1905, 19680.

**DURING THE YEAR 1905,
and Months under One Year of Age.**

Deaths from all Causes at all Ages 257.

NOTES.—

- (a) In this Table all deaths of "Residents" occurring in public institutions, whether within or without the district, are to be *included* with the other deaths in the columns for the several age groups (columns 2-8). They are also, in columns 9-15, to be *included* among the deaths in their respective "Localities" according to the previous addresses of the deceased as given by the Registrars. Deaths of "Non-residents" occurring in public institutions in the district are in like manner to be *excluded* from columns 2-8 and 9-15 of this Table.
- (b) See notes on Table I. as to the meaning of "Residents" and "Non-residents," and as to the "Public Institutions" to be taken into account for the purpose of these Tables. The "Localities" should be the same as those in Tables II. and III.
- (c) All deaths occurring in public institutions situated within the district whether of "Residents" or of "Non-residents," are in addition to being dealt with as in note (a), to be entered in the last column of this Table. The total number in this column should equal the figures for the year in column 9, Table I.
- (d) The total deaths in the several "Localities" in columns 9-15 of this Table should equal those for the year in the same localities in Table II., sub-columns c. The total deaths at all ages in column 2 of this Table should equal the gross total of columns 9-15, and the figures for the year in column 12 of Table I.
- (e) Under the heading of "Diarrhœa" are to be included deaths certified as from Diarrhœa, alone or in combination with some other cause of ill-defined nature; and also deaths certified as from

Epidemic enteritis;
Zymotic enteritis;
Epidemic diarrhœa; Summer diarrhœa;
Dysentery and dysenteric diarrhœa;
Choleric diarrhœa, cholera, cholera nostras
(in the absence of Asiatic cholera).

Under the heading of "Enteritis" are to be included those certified as from Gastro-enteritis, Moco-enteritis, and Gastric catarrh, unless from information obtained by inquiry from the certifying practitioner or otherwise, the Medical Officer of Health should have reason for including such deaths, especially those of infants, under the specific term "Diarrhœa." Deaths from diarrhœa secondary to some other well-defined disease should be included under the latter.

Under the headings of "Cancer" and "Puerperal fever" should be included all registered deaths from causes comprised within these general terms.

In recording the facts under the various headings of Tables I., II., III. and IV., attention has been given to the notes on the Tables.

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